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SUBJECT: TRADE: GOM ENDS IMPORT LICENSE REQUIREMENTS ON  
RANGE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, BUT INCREASES DUTIES.

1. GOM DIARIO OFICIAL (OFFICIAL GAZETTE) OF MAY 24, 1977  
PUBLISHES ON PAGE 41 LISTING OF IMPORTED MERCHANDISE  
FOR WHICH GOM IMPORT LICENSES NO LONGER REQUIRED EFFECTIVE  
MAY 23, 1977. LISTING INCLUDES NUMBER OF WINES AND  
OTHER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES. AT SAME TIME, HOWEVER, GOM  
INCREASED ALL DUTIES ON ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES REMOVED FROM  
IMPORT LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FROM 35 TO 100 PERCENT AD  
VALOREM. (ONLY EXCEPTION TO THIS DUTY INCREASE WAS FOR  
TARIFF ITEM 22.09.A.004, CONCENTRATED EXTRACTS, WHERE  
DUTY INCREASED FROM 35 TO 75 PERCENT). ANNOUNCEMENT OF  
DUTY RATE CHANGES APPEARS IN SAME ISSUE OF DIARIO OFICIAL,  
BEGINNING AT PAGE 25. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES REMOVED FROM  
IMPORT LICENSING REQUIREMENTS, LISTED BY MEXICAN TARIFF  
SCHEDULE NUMBERS, FOLLOW:

22.05.A.001: ENRICHED WINES CONTAINING MORE THAN 14 DE-  
GREES GUY-LUSSAC, IN CONTAINERS OF CLAY, CHINAWARE, OR  
GLASS.

22.05.A.002: CHAMPAGNE AND CHAMPAGNE-TYPE (I.E., SPARKLING)

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WINES.

22.05.A.999: OTHERS (I.E., OTHER THAN THOSE INCLUDED IN  
TARIFF CLASSIFICATIONS BETWEEN 22.05.A.002 AND  
22.05.A.004).

22.06.A.001: VERMOUTHS.

22.06.A.999: OTHERS.

22.07.A.001: CIDER, PEAR JUICE, MAGUEY JUICE, AND OTHER  
FERMENTED BEVERAGES.

22.09.A.002: ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OF MORE THAN 14 BUT LESS  
THAN 23 DEGREES GUY-LUSSAC, IN CONTAINERS OF CLAY,  
CHINAWARE, OR GLASS.

22.09.A.003: ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OF MORE THAN 23 BUT LESS  
THAN 55 DEGREES GUY-LUSSAC, EXCEPT THOSE COVERED BY TARIFF  
CLASSIFICATIONS 22.09.A.007 AND 22.09.A.008, IN CONTAIN-  
ERS OF CLAY, CHINAWARE, OR GLASS.

22.09.A.004: CONCENTRATED EXTRACTS.

22.09.A.006: WHISKY WITH ALCOHOLIC CONTENT OF MORE THAN  
23 BUT LESS THAN 55 DEGREES GUY-LUSSAC, IN CONTAINERS  
OF CLAY, CHINAWARE, OR GLASS.

22.09.A.007: COGNAC OR BRANDY.

22.09.A.008 GIN OR VODKA.

22.09.A.999: OTHERS.

2. ACCORDING TO LOCAL WINE-LIQUOR IMPORTERS AND DIS-  
TRIBUTORS, TARIFF ITEM 22.05.A.001 COVERS SHERRIES AND  
PORTS, WITH BULK OF TABLE WINES CLASSIFIED UNDER TARIFF  
ITEMS 22.05.A.003 AND 22.05.A.004, WHICH REMAIN SUBJECT  
TO GOM IMPORT LICENSING REQUIREMENTS (AND DUTIES ON  
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WHICH REMAIN AT 35 PERCENT). TARIFF ITEM 22.09.A.006  
COVERS BOURBON, SCOTCH, IRISH, ETC., WHISKIES.

3. LOCAL IMPORTERS AND DISTRIBUTORS VOICED CONCERNS THAT  
DUTY INCREASES LIKELY TO INTENSIFY TRADE IN CONTRABAND  
LIQUOR, PARTICULARLY THAT PURCHASED IN US TAX-FREE STORES  
AND SMUGGLED INTO MEXICO.

4. DEPARTMENT (EB/BP) REQUESTED PASS ABOVE INFORMATION ON  
LICENSING REQUIREMENT AND DUTY CHANGES TO ADMIRAL  
MARSHALL AT US DISTILLED SPIRITS COUNCIL, AND TO ARTHUR  
SILVERMAN, WASHINGTON COUNSEL FOR US WINE INSTITUTE, AT  
700 NEW HAMPSHIRE AVE., N.W. EMBASSY HAS POUCHED COPY  
OF MAY 24 DIARIO OFICIAL TO USDOC (TOWER, OIM).  
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